



How inconvenient

Want to spend a penny? Half of Ely's public toilets look set to close

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HALF of Ely's public toilets look set to close, the *Ely News* can reveal.

East Cambridgeshire District Council is planning on shutting the public loos in Barton Road, Newnham Street and Sacrist Gate in a bid to save money.

If the closures go ahead, it will leave Ely with just three public toilets – in Palace Green, Ship Lane and The Cloisters.

Lorna Dupre, the district council's only Liberal Democrat councillor, is angry.

She said: "I voted against the recommendation to close the toilets."

"All the toilets are well used and it seems extraordinary that the council should go to such lengths to maintain free parking in Ely, but halve the number of public toilets for visitors once they get here."

"The closures will leave disabled people with only two public toilets in Ely – the busy Cloisters, and Ship Lane down by Waterside."

"Of the three remaining sets of toilets, one (Palace Green) has no disabled facilities, while all three toilets to be closed are accessible to people with disabilities."

The council also owns public toi-



lets in Littleport, Soham, Burwell and Fordham.

The loos in Fordham are earmarked for closure and it looks like Littleport Parish Council, Burwell Parish Council and Soham Town Council will be asked to pay an annual sum if they do not want their toilets to close.

The recommendations have been made by the council's asset development committee and will be going before the commercial services committee on March 15.

Cllr Dupre says the council had not even consulted the East Cambridgeshire Access Group about the closures.

She said: "The council admitted that the local access group had not been consulted, and that an equali-

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ties impact assessment had not been completed, despite the effect of the closures being much more significant for disabled people.

"Only now, after the recommendation has been made, will the consultation and the impact statement take place."

Last year, the council considered charging people 20p to use the toilets, however the charges were dropped in November after the majority of residents consulted said they would not be willing to pay to use the facilities.

The authority says the loos cost over £200,000 a year to run and maintain.

Ely's Mayor, Cllr Lis Every, who sits on the asset development committee, says Ely has too many public toilets.

She said: "In Ely, we have too many toilets – many which require

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ROLL UP, ROLL UP: From left: Stallholders Charlotte Lucas, Charles Fadipe, Chrissie Fadipe, organiser Debra Jordan, Susan Green and Susan Porter.
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Fresh produce and goodies galore

LITTLEPORT'S Adams Community Market re-opened its doors at the weekend.

After a short break at the beginning of the year, the popular market was back up and running on Saturday. The market takes place

inside the Adam's Heritage Centre, in Main Street.

A spokeswoman for the market, which is organised in conjunction with the Adams Heritage Centre and the Littleport Town Team, said: "The market is fast becoming the hot spot to purchase

your weekly quality food essentials, such as meat, eggs and vegetables. It's also a chance to treat yourself to a few delicious sweet and savoury delights."

The market is held on the first and third Saturday of each month from 9am-1pm.

CARE

No hot water at complex – again

BOILER issues at a care complex in Soham left elderly residents without hot water for three weekends running.

Sanctuary Extra Care, which manages Millbrook House care complex, in Lode Close, has apologised after one of the boiler pumps stopped working, and says the hot water was eventually restored on Monday.

But relatives of residents at the complex, which opened in 2013, are unhappy.

Mark Shelton, from Queen Adelaide, whose 87-year-old mother, Una, lives at the complex, said: "It's totally unacceptable that elderly residents are having to live without hot water.

"Yes boilers break, but it shouldn't be happening as often as it seems to happen at Millbrook House, and it certainly shouldn't take that long to fix.

"When I visited mum last

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weekend her carers were having to carry hot water in the kettle from the kitchen through to the bathroom just so that she could have a wash."

Another local resident, who did not want to be named, said: "My dad lives at Millbrook House and he hasn't had any hot water for the last three weekends.

"The boiler issues are beyond a joke. Millbrook House is a relatively new scheme – residents shouldn't have to be boiling water in kettles in order to wash themselves."

Last January, *Ely News* reported that residents at the complex had been left without hot water for a fortnight after the boiler broke on Christmas Eve.

Speaking on Tuesday morning, Tracey Spencer,

national service manager for Sanctuary Extra Care, said: "There are three boilers serving the scheme, and unfortunately one of the pumps stopped working and needed to be reset which left some residents without hot water.

"We are very sorry and want to reassure residents that even though the system has been up and running since Monday morning we have arranged for the pump to be completely replaced this week to prevent the same from happening again.

"We would never want any of our residents to be inconvenienced, and want to reassure them that staff are available to help."

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Anger as council decides to sell green space 'gift'

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A PARCEL of land in Ely's conservation area which was meant to remain as public open space 'forever' is to be sold to developers.

The green area in The Vineyards, pictured, was given to East Cambridgeshire District Council in 1970 by Hawtin Industries Limited – a holding company that owned F. A. Standen and Sons, but which no longer exists.

The covenant associated with the gift committed the council to "undertake the entire care maintenance and management of the said open space forever for the purposes of the Open Spaces Act 1906".

But members of the district council's asset development committee have voted to scrap the agreement the authority made – and to sell the land, which is approximately 382 square-metres in size, for development.

The decision was made last week despite objections from local residents.

Emma Grima, director of commercial and corporate services at the council, says the land is not in use and that

it should be used to generate money for the authority.

But the Rev Christopher Twycross, who lives in The Vineyards, said: "The title deeds clearly show that the land was given as a public open space for the residents of The Vineyards."

"The council are ignoring the present use of this space as a recreation area. It is used in the warmer months surprisingly often, and all year round by local dog walkers."

"I have a long list from the council about do's and don'ts etc regarding our bungalow in a conservation area."

"The council appears to be flouting its own rules with a future change of use. So much for conservation."

Another resident, who lives in The Vineyards but did not want to be named, said: "The council clearly want to make a quick buck."

"Are they forgetting that this land is in the city's conservation area? This is the only bit of public space we have in The Vineyards."

"If they can do this with this piece of land they can do



the same with any bit of public open space in the area. It's appalling."

Cllr Lorna Dupre, the district council's only Liberal Democrat member, was also angry.

She said: "There is a financial benefit to be gained from selling the land, but the moral question is less certain: is it right for a council to renege on a legal promise it makes when it receives a gift of land for public enjoyment? It does rather leave the feeling that the council cannot be trusted."

Ms Grima said: "The sale of the small piece of land is

part of the council's policy of making better use of the assets which the authority owns."

"This area of land is not currently in use and has been identified as an opportunity to generate money on behalf of the council tax payer which will then be re-invested in our services."

PUBLIC SPACE: The green area in The Vineyards which is to be sold for development

NEWS IN BRIEF

Kids fun at cathedral

ELY Cathedral is holding its free half-term drop-in sessions for local children next week.

The sessions are running on Monday and Wednesday from 10am-12pm.

Activities will include storytelling, brass rubbing, arts and crafts, puzzles and trails around the cathedral.

Call Sally Newton on (01353) 660332 to find out more.

Trio of offers for talented teen Saskia

TALENTED King's Ely pupil Saskia Porter-Thaw has been offered places at the Guildhall School of Music, the Royal College of Music and in the National Youth Wind Orchestra saxophone ensemble.



Reduce, reuse, recycle

'REDUCE, reuse, recycle' is the theme of the Ely Wildlife Watch group's meeting on Saturday.

Children and their families will be able to learn more about recycling and how they can help the planet through games, crafts and stories.

The event is at Ely Library from 1.45-3.15pm and the cost is 50p per child.

Call Helen on (01353) 664745 to find out more.

Ready, set, and flip!

A FLIPPING good time was had at Ely Cathedral to celebrate Shrove Tuesday.

This year, a special Mardi Gras Carnival Concert was held in the evening, which saw organists Paul Trepte, Edmund Aldhouse, Graham Griggs and Jonathan Kingston performing.

Dressed in their red cassocks, the cathedral's choristers then staged their annual pancake relay race down the nave to the music of The Magnificent 7 while the audience cheered them on.

The race is an ancient tradition which sees the boys split into teams depending on which side of the 'choir' they sit on – the Dec's and the Can's. Pancakes were also served to everyone after the concert.



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AND THEY'RE OFF: The choristers practising for their race on Tuesday morning. PICTURES: Geoff Robinson.

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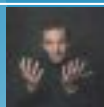
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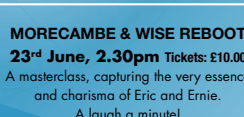
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PEDAL POWER: Some of the Octagon Cycling Club members who are taking on the charity ride.

Gearing up for 300 miles

CYCLISTS will be using their pedal power to raise thousands of pounds for two local charities.

Thirty members of Ely's Octagon Cycling Club have signed up for The 300 - a gruelling 300-mile cycle ride which they plan to complete in less than two days.

They will be setting off from Ely Cathedral at 6am on Saturday, May 21 and aim to return to the cathedral by 6pm the next day.

The 300 is an octagon shaped route from Ely, taking in Letchworth, Aylesbury, Chipping Norton, Birmingham, Loughborough, Grantham and Spalding. Two of the cyclists are attempting the challenge on a tandem and the group aims to raise at least £10,000 in total.

The money raised will be split between the Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust (ACT) and youcanbiketoo, which is a local organisation aiming to get everyone cycling, with a particular focus on people with disabilities

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and families riding together.

The club has chosen to support the ACT as two members have had personal experience of the care provided by Addenbrooke's.

Neil Bowman's son Lucas was born with Supraventricular Tachycardia, a rare heart condition resulting in a lengthy stay in the Rosie Hospital.

After a particularly traumatic few weeks Lucas went on to recover from his early heart complications due to the outstanding expertise and care from his cardiologist, and is now a lively five-year-old.

Neil said: "To be told your six week old baby is seriously ill and the next 24 hours are critical is the most devastating news any parent could possibly have to hear."

"We will be eternally grateful to Lucas' cardiologist and the Rosie Hospital for ensuring that Lucas recovered

from his ordeal and for the on-going care we are receiving. We will support ACT as much as we can to raise vital funds for our amazing local NHS hospital."

Fellow cyclist Andrew Turton and his family also have good reason to support the ACT.

Andrew's son Edward was born with Down Syndrome and a major heart defect resulting in him spending the first four weeks of his life in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

Andrew said: "The level of care and support from the nursing staff and doctors was invaluable for the whole family and Edward is now a year old and doing well."

Corporate sponsors are now being sought, who will have their logos on the cyclists' team kit in return for their donation. Local businesses wishing to sponsor the ride should visit octagoncycling.com.

People can also donate at act4addenbrookes.org.uk/ supporter/Octagon300.

DEVELOPMENT

Homes planned

NEW homes look set to be built in Little Thetford and Wicken.

Andrew Fillmore, of Kingsley Walk, Ely, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council to build up to eight houses on land south of the Two Acres Caravan Park in Ely Road, Little Thetford.

The council has also received a planning application for outbuildings at 34, Chapel Lane, Wicken, to be bulldozed.

In their place, the applicant, Kevin Arrowsmith, of Ely Road, Chittering, wants to build three detached and four semi-detached houses, as well as a new access road.

A decision on both proposals is expected within eight weeks. To have your say, visit eastcamps.gov.uk.

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Three of city's toilets set to close

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repair and are expensive to clean.

"But we are mindful of the need to provide enough good quality and clean toilets for all our residents and visitors.

"No final decisions have been made as we continue with our consultations with the local access group."

Emma Grima, the council's director of commercial and corporate services, said: "The council will consult with the local access group and carry out an equalities impact assessment over the coming weeks, and the outcome of this will be reported to committee."

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Dad Gary loses battle with cancer

A DAD from Soham who was diagnosed with terminal cancer not long after Christmas has sadly died, aged just 54.

Gary Hartley, who lived with his partner, Shelly Reed, 44, and their three children, Hannah, 9, Jake, 8, and Olivia, 3, was being cared for at home by Shelly with the help of specialist Macmillan cancer nurses and last week, the Ely News

reported that friends of the family had launched a fundraising campaign to support Shelly and the children.

Gary died on Thursday night.

The response to the fundraising page has been huge, with people donating just under £3,000 so far.

Carla Baldwin, a friend of the family, who helped to set up the online fundraising

page, said: "The family are loved by so many people who feel useless and by doing this, maybe we can feel that we are doing something to help ease things at this awful time."

"The money raised will be for Shelly and the children to spend exactly as they wish."

To donate, go to crowdfunding.justgiving.com/carla-baldwin.

CRIME



STOLEN: Ross Taylor, above, is offering a reward for the safe return of the family's beloved van, pictured left

Reward offered for safe return of 'Postman Pat' van

A LIFETIME'S supply of crisps or £2,000 – that is what the owner of Corkers Crisps is offering for the safe return of his family's beloved Postman Pat-style van.

Ross Taylor, who owns the company, based between Little Downham and Py-moor, says everyone at the firm is "gutted" following the theft of the distinctive red vehicle – but in particular his 13-year-old son, William, a pupil at King's Ely.

Thieves stole the van – and the toy black and white cat 'Jess' which was inside it – some time between January 17 and 31.

Ross and his family are now so desperate to get the vehicle back that he is offering a £2,000 reward for its safe return – or a lifetime's supply of Corkers crisps.

Ross said: "We desperately want the vehicle back.

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I bought the car – a 1972 William microcar – at the Chef-fins classic car auction in Sutton four years ago.

"My son's name is William and he was with me. We liked the look of it, even though it was a total wreck, and we bid for it.

"We paid £800 for it and my mechanic spent months and months restoring it. He fitted it with a Honda quad engine and it really is superb. I'd say it is worth around £5,000 or £6,000 now."

Ross said the vehicle, which had an old air raid siren fitted to it for added effect, was well known not just in Cambridgeshire but across the whole of the UK.

He said: "My son drove the van around the farm all the

time so he's pretty devastated that it's been stolen, but it was more than just a farm run-around.

"It was our promo vehicle – it came to shows and events across the UK with us, including TruckFest.

"Everyone loved it, especially the children, and we've done so much with it. We've filled it with crisps, we've used it for photo shoots, we've used it for fundraising events; it's part of Corkers."

The vehicle was in an open outbuilding on the farm when it was stolen.

Ross said: "It's light enough for two people to lift so they would've got away with it quite easily and quickly. I should say they put it onto the back of a truck or a van and then just drove off.

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No funding so no surprise?

THE MP for South East Cambridgeshire, Lucy Frazer, says that prisoners should have better access to education as this reduces re-offending rates. This is hardly ground-breaking stuff, most people acknowledge that lack of education and persistent re-offending are entwined.

But there is more than an element of stable door, horse and bolted about this statement.

The current government, of which Ms Frazer is a member, has continued to cut funding to local government, depleting the agencies that work to prevent young people ending up in the criminal justice system. Last autumn's report by HM Chief Inspector of Prisons stated, "Eighty five per cent of boys in this report explained that they had been excluded from school before they came into detention, 73 per cent said they had truanted from school at some time, and 41 per cent were 14 or younger when they last attended school. These figures are both devastating and unsurprising."

Yet funding to this sector continues to decline. Greater reliance is placed on the voluntary sector and community interest companies (CIC's).

This is not a sustainable approach, in neighbouring Northamptonshire the CIC "Youthworks" which deals specifically with excluded pupils, is threatened as the County Council withdraws its share of funding. Leaving aside the trauma that victims of crime endure, the fact that with prison places costing the government around £40,000 per inmate per year surely this is a case where economically and morally prevention is better than the cure?

Gareth Wright
Cambridge Road
Waterbeach

Lights affecting the birds?

I READ with interest the opinions on the street lighting in Ely and the lack of light coverage.

Our village also has these new lights but my concern is not with the coverage being inadequate but that I had noticed something that is occurring in both Ely and Sutton since they have been installed: bird song at 7 o'clock in the evening, long after sun down!

I wonder if there is an expert out there reading this, who could explain why? Another thought was whether these new lights are affecting the plants below also?

I realise that to some people this may be seen as of no consequence but it



Banjo player gets toes tapping . . .

MUSIC loving residents at an extra care scheme in Ely enjoyed a performance by banjo player Sean Moyes.

The entertainer dropped into Sanctuary Group's Baird Lodge extra care scheme and spent an hour impressing residents with a range of country and Dixieland numbers, including Leaning On A Lamp Post and Sergeant Major.

Scheme services manager Belinda Barnes said: "Sean has performed for residents of Baird Lodge before and has always been very well received."

"Our residents always love to see him take to the stage and join in for a bit of a jig and he has such a good rapport."

bothers me. Otherwise I don't have any issues with the new street lights except perhaps they could reduce the light levels in residential streets after 12am so we could sleep easily.

Tania Pauley
Park Road
Sutton

This is a small victory...

JUST when we thought that all would be lost, including our Coach Park at Barton Road, a small but significant victory has been won.

Should the planning authority be minded to approve this planning application, no decision letter will be issued until the Secretary of State has had an opportunity to consider representations already made to him as to whether this application should be called in for his determination. This gives the public some further recourse in a situation where they would normally have no right of appeal, except to raise an action in the High Court.

You can contact the National Planning Casework Unit now at 5 St Philips Place, Colmore Row, Birmingham, B3 2PW npcu@communities.gsi.gov.uk. The Monitoring Officer at East Cambridgeshire District Council also has an important role to play in ensuring Planning Committee members look to their consciences and keep an open mind in this matter.

The recent planning application to extend the car park into the Council Depot has been withdrawn. But this is expected to be resubmitted soon.

Michelle Wolfe
Parade Lane
Ely

This will create more problems

THE planning application by East Cambs District Council (ECDC) for the partial redevelopment of Barton Road car park is confused and confusing.

Firstly it was made a few days before Christmas.

One can only assume that the timing was such hoping people would not have noticed it during the festive season because it was so controversial.

Secondly the proposed redevelopment means that the coach park would have to be relocated. I have heard that Market Street was a possibility where coaches could stop for a limited time so people may disembark or embark.

Another suggestion was a small layby along the Cambridge Road.

It has to be remembered that coach drivers need proper facilities.

Both these ideas have, I believe, been withdrawn as unworkable.

An alternative site is yet to be found. Ely is a tourist destination for thousands of people across the country and tourism brings a considerable amount of money into the city.

One would have thought that tourists and tour operators deserve better treatment. Thirdly the planning department published an application a few days ago asking for permission to extend Barton Road car park.

Land on the other side of 'Centre E' which is presently being used as a council store to be turned into a car park.

Before the ink was dry on the application it was withdrawn. I would have hoped that ECDC would have had the courtesy to the people of Ely and all those who use the Barton road car park to properly formulate their plans and proposals before the application was submitted.

Selling one of the town's prime assets will create more problems in the short and long term.

Christopher Bishop

Williams Close

Ely

No place for complacency

YET again I raise my concerns about the level of development in Soham, not least because the Enforcement Department is either overstretched or not fit for purpose.

There have been unresolved problems with each new development and surely when taxpayers raise concerns they should feel they are taken seriously and dealt with before new developments are permitted. Added to that there seems to be no improvement in the infrastructure such as sewerage, electricity or a larger or new surgery. No matter what one tries to do to get these concerns addressed, and I am by no means alone, they go unheeded.

Far too much food producing agricultural land is being put under concrete which, given that Soham is mainly classed as being on flood plain, is irresponsible as well as having a dreadful environmental impact.

I wish those members of Soham Town Council who have such a defeatist attitude towards challenging the ECDC Planning Department, would start taking note of those councillors and members of the public who consistently raise their concerns as to what is best for Soham and its inhabitants. There is no place for the status quo or for complacency.

I remind you all that years ago we were told that the reason for new homes was for those already born and raised here. Many still are unable to get on the housing ladder given that most of the more affordable homes are snapped up by investors, many not local or even living in the UK.

Another knock on effect of the rapid increase of population is litter and dog faeces. Both have always been a problem in Soham, but have increased drastically with the huge number of extra people many of whom own dogs. I can not believe the number of people I see letting their dogs defecate on people's gardens especially on College Road and Mereside. It is rude and inconsiderate even if they pick up.

Letters of the month

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Moving to a rural area, such as it is now, should include having pride in it by taking all your litter home or binning it and not throwing stuff into the river which only a week ago was cleared and already contains rubbish.

**D Donald
Soham**

Even negatives have a positive

REGARDING the story *Will Ely be an island by 2100?*:

OH dear, I remember in the 1970s there was meant to be a global cooling scenario and we were heading for an ice age. Now 30 years later (with no ice age having taken place) we were informed of the scenario of global warming that is melting the polar ice. But low and behold now scientists think polar ice caps are thought to be making more ice than it melts? Apparently Greenland ice sheets are bigger now than three to five thousand years ago? Since the beginning of time the earth has gone through many changes to its climate, a natural process, unpredictable and its secrets only known to the life of mother earth. You only have to look at Ely's fenland bog oak findings, that suggest our landscape and climate was very different when water rose, killing the trees that made Ely an island before. Will Ely be an island again, who knows?

But (with tongue in cheek) if the Wetland, Wildfowl Trust and National Trust and its followers of Wicken vision, have anything to do with it, East Anglia right up to Lincoln will be flooded. Just think.....

■ Carbon emissions will fall dramatically as no vehicles. But there would be plenty of natural emissions by rotting reed beds to make light and warmth for Ely residents.

■ Obesity will be non-existent, as we will be on a fish, bug, waterfowl and reed diet.

■ We could sell water supplies to countries that have limited water.

■ The way things are going, by 2100 there will be no NHS or medical care so it will be survival of the fittest with the strongest genes as nature intended... which of course will control the headache of over population.

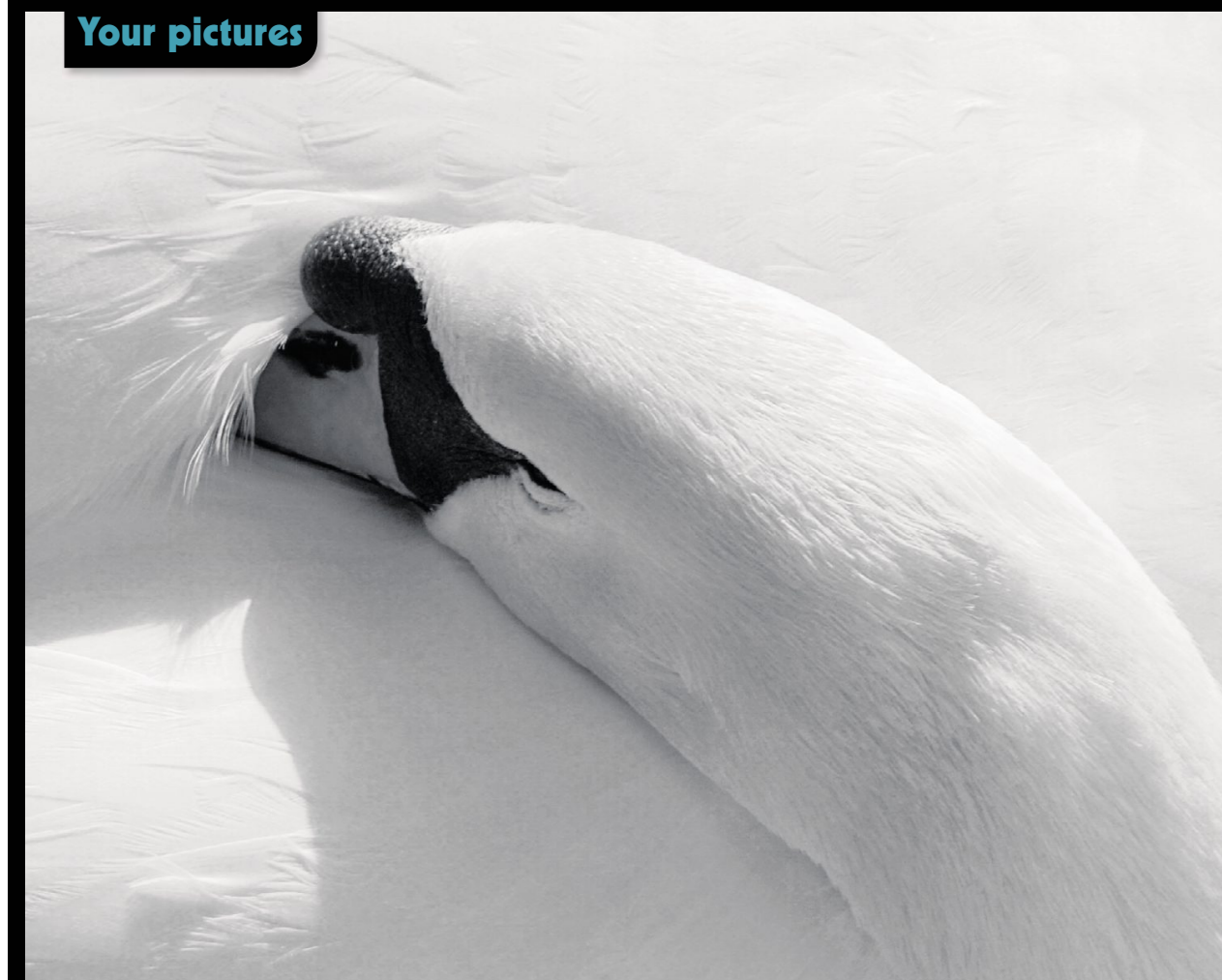
So even negatives can sometimes have a positive. But to be honest, I don't think I will make it to be 143 years old, so I shall never know whether either scenario will ever happen.

**Alison Arnold
Fleetwood
Ely**

Maybe it's time to wake up...

THE story '*Will Ely be an island by 2100?*' caught by eye.

I am not qualified to talk about environmental issues but I went to school like most and I was taught about such things as photosynthesis and that plants breathe in CO₂ and breathe out oxygen, for without it ourselves, and our planet would die. The 'Green House Effect' is discussed by the world's ecologists and worried looking politicians, and associated



BIRDS OF A FEATHER: Simon Cross, of Marshals Lane, Little Downham, sent us this lovely photo of a swan which he spotted at Littleport Branch Bank

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panic, grown by the media, while attending huge summits, about the planet's 'sure' demise if we don't cut carbon emissions. It's top of every government agenda in every country! It overtakes homelessness as a priority, only pipped at the post by X Factor or what the Kardashians had for breakfast!

It seems to me we have a lot of lather in the media about getting down our CO₂?

A growing community of people who don't believe anything our media tells us through 'due diligence' know the real truth.

CO₂ is a life giving gas. Bring it on. Global Warming is a scam. That's what they switched to the less 'giveaway' title 'Climate Change'. Who is 'they'? The 1%. Or, the 13 bloodlines of the global elite. 62 individuals that enslave the world through lies and corruption. They control our banks and the money system, the media, our food, the economy, all governments, the film and music industry, every corporation, and more disturbingly, cause all wars since.

So what has this to do with carbon emissions? If you wanted to control the masses, how would you do it? Well, you have to make them compliant and docile by medicating

them, putting poison in the water and food, and 'programming' them. That is what a TV 'program' does. Get them to watch junk TV, watch junk advertising, eat junk food, and be totally reliant on what the media tells them. Teach them what you want them to hear, and do. Like sheep they will follow.

Why not terrify everybody by telling them the biggest lie yet! That the planet is dying, and that each of them have a 'carbon footprint' that is destroying the environment. That they will all suffocate 2020 by our human activity. Don't tell them that 'climate change' is exactly what it says on the box. That extreme weather is a natural phenomenon. Make it their fault! Blame the populace and inflict guilt and intimidation on them by.... You guessed it? What a surprise! 'High taxation'. Tax everybody for their 'footprints' and then trade them as commodities on the stock market. 97% of the 'Greenhouse gases' is water vapour! Yes clouds! If the most powerful and wealthy people on the planet could tax 'condensation' they would!

Next time you see the recycle lorry dustcart come around, know that it cost £43,000 to manufacture. Collecting your rubbish is big money

for corporations. Look at Landbeach Recycle facility. It cost many millions. All to justify huge inflated council budgets and feed the corporation's coffers like SERCO, who are controlled by the '13 families'. When you rinse out a baked bean can, and put it in your wheelie bin, think about the all the many hundreds of gallons of aviation fuel needed to get overpaid politicians to Global Warming Summits, and wonder why they didn't go on a budget airline, or just walk. See, we have all fallen for it! Look at what commissioned government environmentalist scientist drives, and the watch he wears.

Do your own research. Feel free to see the evidence with your own eyes. Don't be deceived. Yes, the planet is being destroyed by corporate waste that is never recycled. Toxic waste comes from people in neckties in limousines. They are the criminals. Destroying our marine life and farmland with chemtrails that kill our wildlife and livestock.

They want to harm us, like putting fluoride in our water supply and chemicals on our food before and after it is grown and it arrives on our plate as contaminated goods. They want to make us sterile, create

birth defects, see us dependent and lazy and depopulate us. They want control and to keep us ignorant. They don't need money. They print it. They don't want anybody to know what's really going on. Most of all they don't want you to believe any part of this information. Maybe it's time to wake up.

**Perry Estelle
Compton Fields
Ely**

Still time to get writing

THE 'Trio of Writers' Mary McGuire, Hayley Humphrey and Rosemary Westwell who are organising the next Ely Writers' Day on Saturday 19th March are pleased to announce that the Mayor of Ely, Lis Every, will be presenting the prizes to the winners of the short story competition. There is still time to enter: send an unpublished story of 500 words to rjwestwell@hotmail.com and include your contact details. Entry is free.

**Rosemary Westwell
Common Road
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Deaths

BAKER Mark

Unexpectedly passed away at his home in Soham on Sunday 31st January, 2016 aged 39 years.

Much loved husband of Hazel, devoted father to Abigail and Jayden. A loving son of Barbara and Les and brother to Paul.

He will be sadly and sorely missed by all who knew him.

Funeral service to be held at St Andrew's Church, Soham on Friday 19th February at 2.00 p.m., followed by interment at Soham.

No flowers by request but donations if desired, for a trust fund for Abigail and Jayden (cheques payable to Mrs. H. E. Baker) may be left at the service or sent to

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EMERY Marlene (nee Humble)

Suddenly and unexpectedly passed away on 23rd January 2016 aged 61 years.

A loving wife to Malcolm, the perfect mum to Sean, Christopher, Laura and Steven, a cherished nanny to the lucky ones, and a special friend to so many loved by all.

Her funeral service will be held at 10.30am on Friday 19th February at St Peters Church, March.

Family flowers only please but donations to MAGPAS or Alzheimer's Society may be made at the service or sent c/o W & W G West Funeral Services, Love Lane, Wisbech PE13 1HP Tel 01945 584512. Please feel free to wear your happy colours and a smile.

Deaths

SADLER John Henry

formerly of Ely

Passed away peacefully in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn on Sunday 31st January 2016 aged 82 years

Reunited with his wife Edie. Sadly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral Service in Ely Cemetery Chapel on Thursday 18th February 2016 at 11.00am followed by interment in the Cemetery.

Flowers may be sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4HW Tel: 01353 666566

Deaths

SALLIS Ronald Leslie

Of Manor Court, Witchford

Passed peacefully away at Hinchbrook Hospital on

Tuesday February 2nd 2016, aged 91 years. Dearly loved husband of the late Ivy, loving father of Gloria, Leslie and Barbara, father-in-law of David, Mary and Michael and a dear grandfather and great grandfather.

Funeral service at Cambridge Crematorium East Chapel on Monday February 15th at 4.00pm.

Enquiries to A. G. Carter Funeral Director. Tel: 01353 740251.

GOODJOHN Janet Lilian

of Littleport

Passed away peacefully at The Grange Care Home on Saturday 23rd January 2016 aged 77 years.

Dear mum of Andrew and Helen, grandma to Sam, Joe, Jade and Kyan. Sadly Missed.

Funeral Service at Fenland Crematorium, March on Wednesday 17th February 2016 at 11.30am

Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, for Age UK, Cambridge may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4HW Tel: 01353 666566

Deaths

SQUIRES Angela

of Soham

Passed peacefully away at her home surrounded by her family on Sunday 24th January 2016 aged 54 years.

Devoted wife of John much loved mum of Dennis and Roger, dear nanna of Cara, Ashley and Jake. Angela will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service at St. Andrew's Church, Soham on Thursday 18th February at 1.30pm.

Private Cremation. No flowers by request please, but if desired, donations made payable to Arthur Rank Hospice Charity may be sent c/o

R.J. Pepper & Son Family Funeral Directors 27, High Street, Soham, Ely, Cambs, CB7 5HA or at the service. Tel: 01353 720222

TAYLOR Margaret Maureen

formerly of Ely

Passed away peacefully in Soham Lodge Care Home on Monday 1st February 2016 aged 83 years.

Loving wife of Raymond, mother of Annette, Joy, Christine and Lisa, also a dear nanna and great nanny.

Funeral Service at St Mary's Church, Ely on Tuesday 23rd February 2016 at 11.00am followed by interment in Ely Cemetery.

Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, for Cancer Research UK and Soham Lodge Residents' Fund may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service, 4 Tower Road, Ely, Cambs CB7 4HW Tel: 01353 666566

Acknowledgements

ALDRIDGE Barry

Sue, Amanda, Tracey and family of the late Barry would like to thank everyone who sent cards and messages of sympathy during our recent sad loss. We were so overwhelmed with the amount we received. A special thank you to Ely Funeral Service for their wonderful kindness and support they gave us, to Rev. John Sansom for conducting a very moving service, and to the great number of people who attended Barry's funeral. Thank you also to Diane Sharp and helpers for the excellent refreshments. Donations amount will be announced shortly. Please accept this as the only acknowledgement.

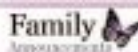
BIDWELL Douglas (Doug)

Wife Noreen and close family sincerely thank all the family and friends who attended the funeral for Douglas on the 28th January. It gave great comfort. Thank you also for all the sympathy cards.



CROSS Movita

Sturley would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for messages of sympathy, cards and letters received during his recent sad loss. Thanks to those who attended the funeral service, their presence was of great comfort and for donations totalling £300.00 received in Movita's memory for East Anglian Air Ambulance. Please accept this as the only acknowledgement.



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Leather jackets and quiffs ... Grease is the word

GREASE was most certainly the word at Soham Village College.

Hundreds of pupils, parents, staff and friends attended the school's production this year, which, you guessed it, was Grease.

The show was staged in the performing arts centre last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evening and Year 6 students from St Andrew's Primary School, The Weatheralls Primary School and The Kennett Primary School were invited to Tuesday's dress rehearsal.

The performance was directed by Peter Hedge and Mikey Kowalczyk, its musical director was Gemma Perry, and the choreographer was Fiona Bartley.

Danny was played by Year 11 pupil Nils Carr and Year 10 student Niamh Hutton played Sandy.



PICTURES: Keith Jones



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CRIME

Two conmen ordered to pay money back

TWO conmen have been ordered to pay back more than £300,000 following financial investigations into their fraudulent activities.

The money, which will be paid in compensation to the respective victims, was seized following investigations carried out by the Eastern Region Special Operations Unit.

David Barrowclough, a former Fellow of Cambridge's Wolfson College, has been ordered to pay back more than £150,000 to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF).

Barrowclough, of Broad Street, Ely, was convicted of nine counts of false accounting after he duped the HLF into providing financial support for archaeological projects across the country that

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never existed, using forged details over an eight-year period.

As previously reported, the scholar had voluntarily repaid around £70,000 to the fund after being jailed for six years for the offences last September.

But at a Proceeds of Crime hearing at Huntingdon Crown Court on February 1, Barrowclough was ordered to repay the remaining £152,587.42 by way of confiscation order.

He has three months to pay this sum or face a further 18 months in prison.

A former manager who defrauded his employer, Marshalls Aerospace in Cambridge, of thousands of pounds has also been

ordered to pay compensation.

Andrew Barwick, of Windmill Close, Soham, had admitted taking advantage of his position as telecommunications manager at the engineering giant to gain a total of £45,678.84, and was jailed for a year in May 2015.

Barwick - who was solely responsible for purchasing mobile handsets for staff - sold the phones off to recycling companies and pocketed the proceeds over four years.

At Cambridge Crown Court on January 29, Barwick was ordered to repay £16,632.50 - his total available assets - by way of compensation.

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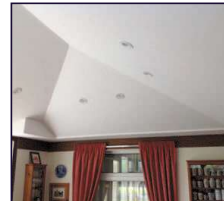
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EVENT

CELEBRATION: Hundreds of cadets, staff and honoured guests join in Ely Cathedral to mark 75 years' of air cadet history



Celebrating 75 years' of cadets

HISTORY was made in Ely on Sunday when a record number of air cadets paraded through the city.

The procession – the largest in the Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Wing's history – was organised to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Air Cadet organisation.

Some 750 cadets and 75 uniformed staff joined in the event, which saw the wing's new banner revealed for the first time at Ely Cathedral.

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Wing padre, Roger Cresswell, held the service which included an excerpt from the memories of Peter Price, an air cadet who lived in the south of England during the Battle of Britain. Each squadron also paraded their own banner.

Wing commander Tony Kelly said: "Gathering so many cadets and staff for one parade was an opportunity for the

whole wing to come together to start a year of celebration and pride in our achievements."

Lord Lieutenants for Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire, Helen Nellis and Sir Hugh Duberly, took the salute and met cadets at a reception. They were supported by more than a dozen mayors or deputy mayors from across the wing area.

Visit bedscambswing.co.uk to find out more.

OBITUARY

Tributes to popular author

BEST-selling Ely author Mary Nichols has died.

It is believed Mrs Nichols, who wrote over 60 books, including almost 40 for Mills and Boon Historical Romance, died earlier this week.

Jo Rutherford, a senior book seller at Toppings and Company Booksellers, said: "Mary will be sadly missed."

"I met her on numerous occasions and she was not only a superb author who wrote huge quantities of novels, but she was a lovely lady."

Mrs Nichols was also a keen golfer and a member of the City of Ely Golf Club.

On Tuesday, Canadian author Susanna Kearsley tweeted: "So sad to learn of the loss of Mary Nichols. Lovely person, brilliant writer. RIP"

CRIME

Warning after thefts

POLICE are urging residents to be vigilant following a spate of thefts from vehicles over the weekend.

Officers say the majority of incidents happened in the Witchford area and that thieves stole power tools from work vehicles.

Police are advising people to remove tools and personal belongings from their vehicles overnight and to park their vehicles somewhere well lit.

They added: "Mark your tools with your house number and postcode. We regularly find tools when we conduct searches and often cannot reunite them with their owners."

Call 101 with any information.

COUNCIL

Election next week

FOUR candidates are standing for the vacant seat in the Sutton Division for Cambridgeshire County Council.

The candidates are Pete Bigsby (UKIP), Mike Bradley (Conservative), Lorna Dupre (Liberal Democrat) and Owen Winters (Independent).

The seat is vacant following the death of long-serving Cllr Philip Read in December.

The by-election is being held on Thursday, February 18 and the verification and actual count will take place that night at 10am at Little Downham Village Hall.

For more information, call (01353) 665555.

Pictures by Keith Heppell



DIOCESE

Bishop of Ely's new appointment

THE Bishop of Ely has been appointed to the Church of England's key policy-making body.

The Right Reverend Stephen Conway, who has been Bishop of Ely for five years, is one of only two bishops to have been elected by fellow bishops to serve on the Archbishops' Council, which steers the policy of the established church for the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.

The bishop left Ely last Tuesday to lead a 30-strong pilgrimage from the diocese to Palestine. During the pilgrimage, which is not related to his new appointment, the pilgrims will visit all the principal sites and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.

Bishop Stephen said: "I have witnessed before what a positive impact a pilgrimage of this kind can have on the life of a diocese

and its parishes, as pilgrims discover new insights into the very roots of their faith, and return home eagerly committed to a greater sense of discipleship. This can touch and affect those around them in their local church communities, and impact on parish and diocesan life in a very positive manner."

The party is expected to arrive back in East Anglia tomorrow (Friday).



CONCERNS: Left to right: John Cattermole (Head Teacher), Cllr Daniel Divine (UKIP), Connie Anker (Steve Barclay office), Lindsay Winters (site manager).

DEVELOPMENT

Site's access: safety worries

THE proposed access to a new 250-home development in Littleport looks set to change following safety fears from residents – and a school head teacher.

John Cattermole, head of Littleport Community Primary School, is among dozens of people concerned about the access to Chefins' planned development for land between Wooden Road and the A10.

The plans, which were submitted to East Cambridgeshire District Council in October, are for 250 houses and 8,000 square metres of commercial space to be built on the land.

Mr Cattermole says he has no problem with the development itself, but that he is "deeply concerned and strongly opposed" to the main access point, which is directly opposite his school.

He believes that the safety of his pupils will be "compromised with lives put at serious risk" and Littleport Parish Council have described the access point as

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"not fit for purpose".

Speaking to *Ely News* on Friday, Ben Pridgeon, a senior planner with Cheffins, said: "We are now looking at alternative access points following the number of concerns raised."

"We are in talks with Mr Cattermole and planners at the district council and it certainly looks like the main access will be moved to a safer, more suitable location."

Among local residents who are concerned is Tim Frost, of Woodfen Road. He said: "The proposed access will make an already congested and dangerous junction more so."

"At school times there is serious traffic congestion and adding more vehicles coming from a different direction should not be considered as this will make pedestrian and vehicular access to the school more

dangerous."

Clive and Elizabeth Taylor, of Wisbech Road, said: "We have problems reversing into our drive at present and with up to 500 extra cars using this dangerous junction it will make matters worse."

"Another access for cars would be more suitable, ie: further along Wisbech Road where there is better visibility or even onto the A10/A1101 roundabout."

North East Cambridgeshire MP Steve Barclay is calling for the main access to be from an existing road used for industrial traffic from Wisbech Road or from a new route connecting to the A10 roundabout.

He said: "More work is needed to ensure we do not endanger children accessing the school, and this requires a change in the main access route."



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GRANTS are available for homeowners and land owners in the Ely area seeking to make their properties more energy efficient.

Action on Energy, a partnership scheme between Cambridgeshire's local authorities, including East Cambridgeshire District Council, aims to improve the lives of residents by facilitating energy efficiency improvements in homes and reducing energy costs.

In 2014 the partnership secured 'Green Deal Communities Funding' from the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) to help improve properties across Cambridgeshire, by providing grants.

Now in its second phase, the scheme has now opened for further applications.

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Grant funding is not means tested and only registered installers are able to install the improvements using the grant funding.

Kayleigh Maguire, energy officer at East Cambridgeshire District Council, said: "So far, there has been an excellent uptake, particularly with the homeowner grants."

"We strongly encourage landlords to do the same and take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to apply for funding that will lead to an immediate improvement of their property, which will be in the interest of tenants too in the form of cheaper energy bills."

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Candles light up the cathedral

MORE than 6,000 candles illuminated the stunning interior of Ely Cathedral.

A medieval style Candelmas was held last Tuesday, which also saw the cathedral choir singing works of sacred choral music by Byrd, Dove, Eccard, Gombert, Gorecki, Grieg, McKie, Naylor, Stanford, Tallis and Tavener.

The tranquil service started with an introduction from the Rt Revd Dr Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury and Master of Magdalene College, Cambridge.

Lesley Ann Thompson, a spokeswoman for the cathedral, said: "The candles created a unique atmosphere not experienced for centuries."



STUNNING: More than 6,000 candles illuminated the cathedral.
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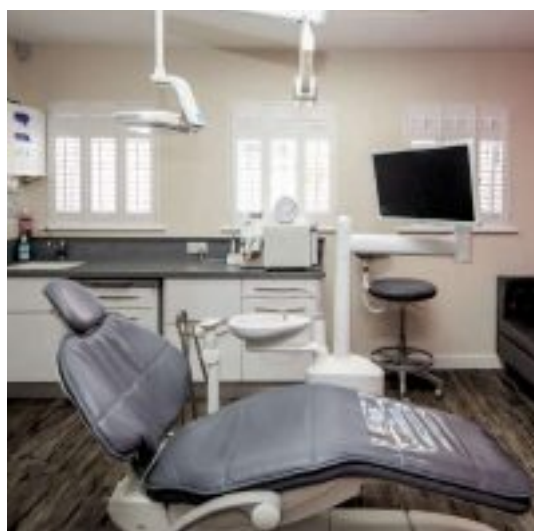
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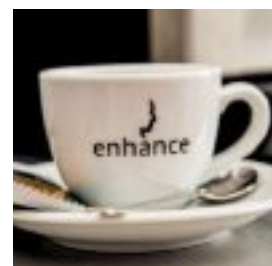
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Police launch youth art competition

ARTISTIC youngsters are being given the chance to brighten up Ely police station.

Police have launched an art competition called ArtReach 2016, which is accepting entries in any medium that can be wall mounted.

The theme for the competition is 'mood or emotion' and it has been sponsored by digital art tool manufacturer Huion, who have supplied four digital art tablets as prizes.

Those entering the competition must live in East Cambridgeshire and there are four categories: 11-13 years, 14-16 years, 17-18 years and entrants with learning difficulties or disabilities not defined by their age.

The winners will be judged by a panel including Police and Crime Commissioner Sir Graham Bright and Ely's Mayor, Lis Every.

The four category winners will be awarded at a reception at King's Ely on April 7 and all shortlisted pieces will be displayed on the walls of Ely police station.

To enter, young people need to send their work to the station, in Nutholt Lane, or email a digital photo to East-Cambs-Cops@cambs.pnn.police.uk.

All entries should include the entrant's name and contact details and be marked 'ArtReach 2016'.

EDUCATION



SPECIAL VISIT: Minister Nick Gibb in the story telling tent with pupils at St Andrew's Primary School. Right: Delivering his speech
PICTURE: Richard Patterson

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STORYTELLING was the topic of conversation when Schools Minister Nick Gibb visited Soham.

The minister visited St Andrew's Primary School last Wednesday as part of National Storytelling Week to celebrate the importance of children's storytelling.

The event, a Marrakech Storytelling Bazaar, saw pupils aged 7-10 telling their own stories that they had written to a small audience, which included Mr Gibb, South East Cambridgeshire MP Lucy Frazer, local councillors, parents and staff.

Mr Gibb also made a speech highlighting the importance of storytelling and reading for children's development.

His remarks were backed up by a scientific study, hosted by St Andrew's, in which the development of children who worked with storyteller Chip Colquhoun is com-



pared with the development of similar children over the same period whose teachers followed the current requirements of the National Curriculum.

The study shows that children who are encouraged to think more creatively demonstrate faster, stronger development in a wide range of areas, including numeracy and social confidence.

It directly follows an EU Lifelong Learning project which revealed that children retain an average of 25 per cent more information when told a story than they do from learning by techniques relying on repetition.

Chip, who developed the study for Cambridgeshire's EU Lifelong Learning project, hopes the study will begin a shift in approach for the Department for Education.

He said: "Storytelling has been a key teaching tool for the last 40,000 years, but it's always been let down by the lack of a comparative study to really prove that it beats more academic methods."

"The study at St Andrew's is still quite a small sample but we hope the minister's involvement will help us attract more interest from schools to participate in a larger study, until the evidence is there to justify bringing more traditional, oral storytelling into the curriculum."



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Probe into village crash

A LAND Rover Discovery crashed into three stationary vehicles in Wilburton. Emergency services were called to the collision in the village High Street just after 4.20am last Thursday.

A spokesman for Cambridgeshire Police said: "Three of the vehicles were parked and the fourth vehicle was a Land Rover Discovery which was being driven."

"No injuries were sustained and the driver provided a negative breath test. Inquiries are ongoing."

Tales of the riverbank

ENJOY a guided tour along Ely's Riverside on February 14.

The tour starts at Oliver Cromwell House, in St Mary's Street, at 11.30am.

A spokesman for the walk said: "This guided tour takes in the city centre as well as Ely's beautiful Waterside. Learn about the draining of the Fens, the life of the Fen folk and how the river serves visitors and residents today."

Tickets are £4. Call (01353) 662062.

'Eat Well Spend Less'

ELY Foodbank's next 'Eat Well Spend Less' course starts on February 17.

The free six-week course is at the Countess Church, in Chapel Street, from 11am-1.30pm. The aim is to help people on a low budget improve their shopping and eating skills.

To book a place or to find out more, call 07519 113343. The foodbank is also looking to increase its cereal, pasta sauces and rice pudding stock.

FUNDRAISING

Helena's trek to raise funds for YoungMinds

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A YOUNG woman is planning to walk the length of Britain to raise money for a charity close to heart.

Helena Beer has travelled to many parts of the world, including India, South Africa, Europe, Thailand and Central America, to name just a few.

But this summer the globe-trotting 29-year-old will be seeing more of the UK – by walking from Land's End to John O'Groats.

Helena, who lives in Stretham, is taking on the challenge to raise as much money as she can for YoungMinds, a charity committed to improving the mental health of children and young people in the UK.

Helena, who works at Stir Cambridge, in Chesterton Road, said: "I've done a lot of travelling over the years, but I've not actually seen that much of the UK."

"I've also done bits and pieces of trekking in the past, but usually in groups of at least 11 people. This challenge I plan to attack all alone!"

"I hope that physically I will be



ON A MISSION: Helena Beer is walking from Land's End to John O'Groats for YoungMinds. PICTURE: Richard Patterson

fine, the mental battle is going to be where I will really have to fight. This is why I decided that walking from Land's End to John O'Groats with my backpack, tent and lots of snacks, would be a great way to support mental health."

Helena is planning to start her 1,200-mile trek in early May and

hopes to raise £5,000 for YoungMinds.

She said: "I'm not going to be walking the normal route, I'm going to be tackling every hill along the way, just to make it that little bit more challenging."

"I plan to start a couple of days after my friend's wedding on April 30

and I've got another close friend's wedding on July 16 so I need to have completed it by then."

"Depression and mental health are issues close to my heart and certainly something I feel passionate about supporting." To sponsor Helena, visit uk.virginmoneygiving.com/HelenaBeer.

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Set the date – The key decision!

Decide a budget – Be realistic! Bankruptcy is not the best way to start married life...

Count your guests – This will affect what size of venue you need to book, catering requirements etc.

Find a venue – This is where the fun starts! You'll need a ceremony venue (which can be a church, registry office, or other licensed venue such as a hotel or other venue). Your local registry



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office can provide you with a list of licensed venues in your area. If you're having a wedding reception afterwards, you might want to pick a different location for this, or pick a venue where you can combine both. Also consider party food provision, entertainment, music, decoration... and what venue would look perfect as the backdrop for your just-married pictures.

Choose your helpers – Bridesmaids, matrons of honour, best man, page

boys, someone to "give away" the bride, ushers: these are all optional, but non-compulsory choices. Remember, the more helpers you pick, the more clothing, flowers and arrangement options you will need to organise!

Book a photographer, wedding car, florist – Make the arrangements in lots of time.

Buy "The Dress" – Many wedding dresses need a four to six month lead time for alterations.

Book the honeymoon – Not an afterthought!

Don't forget other details like ordering and sending out wedding invitations (about three months before the day), wedding cake, rings, a gift list, thank you presents for your helpers, seating plans, hen and stag nights or weekends and wedding speeches.

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Funding advice on offer

CHARITIES and voluntary groups are being invited to a funding fair in Ely. Voluntary and Community Action East Cambridgeshire (VCAEC) are hosting the event at the Lighthouse Centre, in Lynn Road, on Thursday, February 25 from 11am-2pm.

There will be representatives from the Big Lottery, WREN, Cambridgeshire Community Foundation and the Heritage Lottery Foundation. Call (01353) 666166 to book a place or to find out more.

Rob secures bumper boost for local charity



BRANCHING Out – the Littleport-based charity which supports adults with learning disabilities – has received a £500 donation.

Rob Aveston, who works at Lloyds Bank in Ely, attended the charity's fundraising disco recently as part of Lloyds' commitment to volunteering, and then secured the bumper donation through the bank's matched giving programme.

COMMUNITY

'Great interest' in new Ely Round Table group



BEGINNINGS: Ely Round Table launch night at the Royal Standard pub. From left: Ian Lewis, Martin Lines, Neil Crouchman, Bart Woodbine and Richard Grey.

ROUND Table is back in Ely – giving local men the chance to improve their social life and do more in their local area.

The new club hosted its first event at the Royal Standard pub last Tuesday night where founding members were on hand to share a pint with those interested in finding out more about becoming a 'tabler'.

Following an absence of around eight years, Ely's Round Table is being re-introduced thanks to Martin Lines, who is a regional representative for the organisation.

Martin, who re-introduced Round Table to Cambridge last year, said: "Round Table gives you the opportunity to get out of the house and try something new, whilst meeting a like-minded group of men from the local area."

"The interest in the new Ely group has been great so far, which is really pleasing."

"Things have changed a lot in the last ten years, with the organisation now much more accessible to a wider range of men and focused on delivering affordable

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events for young men to socialise."

The new group will be meeting twice a month.

Martin said: "What's great about Round Table is that each of our get-togethers will be different."

"One could be having a look around a local business to see how different industries function, another could be white water rafting."

"And it's all about raising funds for the local community which makes it even better."

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The new Ely group is also on Facebook. Search for 'Ely Round Table – Coming Soon'.

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April	14th	Shopping Day	£22
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May	16th	Funny Girl	£89.50
	16th	The Lion King	£73
June	7th	Ladies Day	£59
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■ 'Focus on Wilburton and Twentypence' is the title of this week's Fenland History on Friday talk at Ely Methodist Church at 10.30am. Call (01353) 648106.

■ Half-term family event at Oliver Cromwell House on Saturday, including guided tour and learning about tokens of love given at Valentine's during the 17th Century. Event starts at 11.30am and the cost is £6 for adults and £3.50 for children. Call (01353) 662062.

■ Guided Ely Riverside walk on Sunday, starting at Oliver Cromwell House at 11.30am. Tickets are £4. Call (01353) 662062.

■ Children's calligraphy workshop at Ely Cathedral on Monday, February 15 from 10am-12pm and 2-4pm. Cost is £15 each, which includes materials. Call (01353) 660349.

■ Jonathan House hosting Ely and District Archaeological Society's talk on Monday, February 15. The talk, entitled 'The Anglo-Saxons

in Haddenham', is at the Methodist Church at 8pm. Admission is £2.50 for non-members.

■ Springwatch themed children's art and craft event at Ely Museum on Thursday, February 18 from 11am-12.30pm. Event is suitable for children aged 5-11 and tickets are £3 each. Call (01353) 666655.

■ Charity coffee morning at the Olive Tree on Thursday, February 18 from 10am-12pm in aid of the Children's Cardiomyopathy Foundation.

■ Jacobean study day with Robert Jones at Toppings Bookshop on Sunday, February 21 from 2-5pm. Tickets £20. Call (01353) 645005.

■ Jo Marchant talking about her new book, Cure, at the Old Palace on Tuesday, February 23 at 7.30pm. Tickets £6. Call Toppings on (01353) 645005.

Littleport

■ Texas Hold 'Em Poker tournament at Littleport Leisure Centre on Friday. Registration starts at 7.30pm and games commence at 8pm. Entry is £10 per person. Call (01353) 860600.

■ Photocall for descendants of the Ely and Littleport Riots

at the Adams Heritage Centre on Saturday at 2.30pm. Email thefieldtheatregroup@hotmail.co.uk.

■ Children's half-term soft play session at Littleport Leisure Centre on Wednesday, February 17 from 9am-3pm. There is also archery on the same day from 1-3pm. On Friday, February 19, there is a children's kwik cricket session from 1-3pm. Cost for each session is £2.50 per child. Call (01353) 860600.

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■ Bob Watts hosting a ballroom/sequence dance at the Hiam Sports and Social Club on Saturday. Doors open at 7pm and tickets are £5 for members and £6.50 for non-members. Call (01353) 688269.

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■ Family wrestling night at The Brook on Monday, February 15 at 7.30pm. Tickets £12 for adults and £10 for children. Call (01353) 721748.

Sutton

■ 'Mr and Mrs' competition at the Brooklands Centre on

TEAM WORK: The volunteers at Fairchild's Meadow in Haddenham.



People power transforms hedge

COMMUNITY spirits were high at Fairchild's Meadow in Haddenham.

Twenty volunteers donned their gloves and grabbed their shears to help transform

the 15ft high hedge that volunteers had planted in 2004 into a manageable stock proof barrier that will become a haven for wildlife. Jez Reeve, who took

part, said: "It was a genuine community effort and extremely satisfying."

Hazel Hull kept the volunteers' energy levels up with her homemade soup.

Saturday, starting at 8.30pm. Call (01353) 778330 for more information.

Welney

■ Daily commentated swan feeds at WWT Welney

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G&J Peck: a big year

AGRICULTURAL machinery dealers G&J Peck Ltd are celebrating 170 years in business in Ely – but that is not their only reason for celebration in 2016.

Directors met at the city's Lancaster Way Business Park on February 1 to mark the start of construction of a prestigious new 27,000 sq ft HQ building, following a deal negotiated by Cheffins.

The company will move from its current location in Lisle Lane in the autumn and their relocation will make way for a development by McCarthy and Stone of 52 assisted living retirement apartments.

G&J Peck Ltd is a significant local success story and still a family business, now run by husband and wife partnership, Ian and Judith Lovelidge.

Ian, who is managing director, said: "We have been at Lisle Lane since 1979 and have seen the business grow in Ely, plus we have opened five other new regional depots with the New Holland, JCB and Case IH

Franchises over the past 37 years.

"2016 is the right time to invest in a purpose-built HQ that will give us space to expand our CASE and JCB franchises with a larger trade counter, machinery servicing and workshop space than we have at Lisle Lane.

"We will continue to offer all the services that customers have valued over many years, but customers will see many improvements when they visit us at Lancaster Way, including a larger facility that's more accessible for all sizes of vehicle and plenty of on-site parking."

G&J Peck Ltd's new building will be constructed by Barnack Estates on the 1.8 acre site and the 'first sod' was cut by Ely's Mayor, Lis Every, and Ron Fleet, retired chairman of G&J Peck.

Ron said: "When I designed and built the Lisle Lane depot in 1979, I could never have believed that the business would grow to a six depot company, employing over 130 staff. I'm so proud of everything the company has achieved."

WINNER: Peter Audus, second from left, with his award.



Prize for Ely's Peter Audus Ltd

ELY business Peter Audus Ltd won a prize at the Cambridge News' recent Property Awards.

Peter won the award for the best small development (no more than 30 residences) in Cambridgeshire of 2015 for his apartments in St Mary's Street, Ely.

Presented by Cambridge News property sales manager Julie Collins, judges

stressed that the entries in the category had been strong.

Peter bought the former Whiting and Partners offices and in September 2014 started work on transforming the dated 1960s office building into eight apartments, complete with glass balconies.

Whiting and Partners moved to new offices at George Court on Ely's

Cambridgeshire Business Park.

Peter is due to complete the development in St Mary's Street in April.

He said: "It was brilliant to win the award and we're really pleased with how the development is looking."

"The apartments are finished and all sold." The awards were held at Ely Cathedral.

Plans for four new units

FOUR new business units look set to be built in Ely.

Andrew Benton, of Station Road, has applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council for planning permission to build the new units for B1 use at St Thomas Place, located off Angel Drove.

The plan is to build the new units on an unused area of car park and section of landscaping running along the eastern side of the business park.

In a statement to the council, Mr Benton's agents said: "We believe these proposals represent a considered approach to development of a suitable area of land, the precedent for which has been set in the business park."

"All proposed car parking, cycle parking, landscaping and flood risk has been considered along with massing and orientation which is sympathetic to the existing properties nearby."

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- Double garage
- EPC Rating D



Ely



NEW PRICE

£280,000

- Modern semi townhouse
- Popular location
- 3 bedrooms
- Fitted kitchen with opening to
- Lounge/dining room
- En-suite to master bedroom
- Garage and garden
- EPC Rating C



Wilburton O.I.R.O. £460,000



NO ONWARD CHAIN

- Detached house
- Non estate location
- Spacious kitchen
- 4 bedrooms
- 3 reception rooms
- En-suite & family bathroom
- Detached double garage
- EPC Rating D

Witchford

£490,000



NEW

- Smartly presented home
- Small cul-de-sac location
- Well appointed kitchen
- Lounge, family room & study
- 4 bedrooms
- En-suite and family bathroom
- Double garage
- Good size garden
- EPC Rating D



Haddenham

£475,000



NO ONWARD CHAIN

- Individual & detached
- Non estate location
- Kitchen/dining room
- Lounge & study
- 3 first floor bedrooms
- 2nd/11 bedroom & en-suite
- Split level garden
- EPC Rating B

Ely

£205,000



NO ONWARD CHAIN

- Older style semi
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- Downstairs bathroom
- 2 bedrooms
- Victorian fireplace
- No onward chain
- EPC rating E

Sutton

£270,000



NEW PRICE

- Individual detached house
- Overlooking open green area
- 3 double bedrooms
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- Lounge and dining room
- Double garage
- EPC Rating D



Haddenham

£335,000



- Established detached house
- Open views to rear
- 4 bedrooms
- Spacious lounge dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- 3 reception rooms
- Garage and garden
- EPC Rating E

Cover property

Gateway Gardens: £295,000

THIS modern semi-detached three bedroom home in Gateway Gardens is on the market for £295,000.

It has accommodation over three floors, including a modern fitted kitchen, a lounge/diner, a downstairs cloakroom, a master bedroom with en suite shower, two more bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Outside there are parking spaces and an enclosed garden.

For further information contact David Clark & Company on (01353) 665020.



Feature homes

Kings Avenue: £289,950



THIS well-presented three bedroom home in Kings Avenue is on the market with a guide price of £289,950.

It has accommodation including an entrance hall, a downstairs cloakroom, a kitchen, a sitting room with electric fire and breakfast bar and a garden room.

On the first floor there are two bedrooms and a family bathroom, while the master bedroom with dressing area and en suite are located on the second floor.

Outside there is an enclosed rear garden with lawn and terrace area, off-road parking and a garage.

Viewing is by arrangement with Pocock & Shaw on (01353) 668091.



Littleport: £695,000



COLVILLE House is a substantial detached five bedroom residence in Lynn Road, Littleport, which is on the market with a guide price of £695,000.

It has a drawing room, a sitting room, a spacious kitchen and dining room, a master bedroom with en suite and

four more bedrooms.

Outside there is a mature plot with a driveway, a yard with parking for numerous vehicles, a double and a single garage, a substantial brick-built barn with three downstairs rooms and an attic room, an attractive partly-walled garden to the rear and side of the house

with lawn, trees, a gazebo, a summerhouse, an extensive patio area, a raised terrace, a pond, a timber pergola, a brick-built barbecue and a brick outbuilding with open fire.

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NEW



Swingbrow, Chatteris

£675,000

Situated on the outskirts of Chatteris, this modern 4 bedroom detached family home offers versatile living accommodation with grounds extending to just under 8 acres (STS) including 2 modern barns and outbuildings. The property offers enormous potential for those possibly seeking to run a business from home or those with equestrian interests. EPR TBC.

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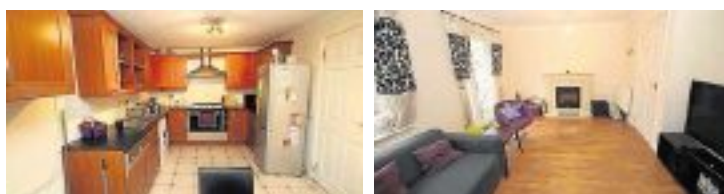


Ely

£270,000

A superbly presented modern 3 storey townhouse offering versatile accommodation including entrance hallway, cloakroom, utility, kitchen / dining room, lounge, 3 bedrooms (2 ensuite), bathroom, driveway, integral garage, garden. Viewing recommended. EPR D.

NEW



Ely

£299,950

A spacious 3-storey townhouse offered for sale with no upward chain and comprising entrance hall, cloakroom, spacious kitchen/dining room, lounge, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, gardens, driveway and garage. Popular residential development. Viewing recommended. EPR D.

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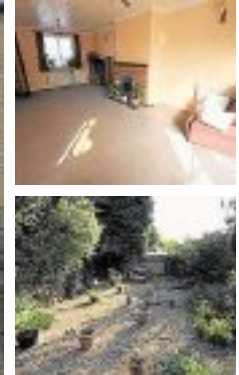


Witchford

£199,950

A well presented semi detached property situated on a corner plot, offering accommodation comprising entrance hallway, cloakroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, 2 bedrooms and family bathroom, together with front and rear gardens, driveway and garage. The property benefits from gas central heating and double glazing. EPR C.

NEW PRICE



Witcham

£285,000

A detached family home situated in the heart of this popular residential village, offered for sale with no upward chain. Accommodation briefly comprises of entrance porch, entrance hallway, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, double garage and gardens. The property also benefits from gas central heating and double glazing. EPR D.

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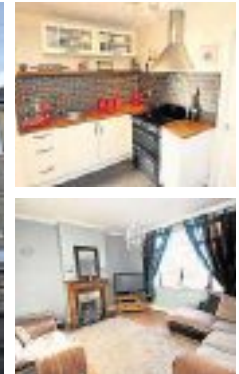


Ely

£260,000

A superbly presented semi detached property on a generous corner plot with accommodation comprising entrance porch, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms and family bathroom, together with driveway, single garage, fully enclosed rear and side gardens. The property benefits from gas central heating and double glazing. EPR C.

NEW



Littleport

£185,000

A character home situated close to the centre of this popular Town and allowing easy access to the mainline railway station. Accommodation comprises entrance hallway, lounge, dining room, kitchen, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, single garage, driveway and gardens. The property also benefits from gas central heating. EPR E.

NEW



Ely

Guide Price £350,000

A spacious 1960's detached house in need of modernisation, situated within easy walking distance of the City Centre and comprising entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, rear lobby, cloakroom, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, garage and garden. Adjoining building plot available by separate negotiation. EPR C.

NEW



Ely

Guide Price £175,000

An individual single building plot with outline planning permission granted on appeal (reference 15/00052/OUT) for the erection of a single storey dwelling and modifications to the existing access to West Fen Road. The plot is situated close to the City Centre and all amenities. There is also a detached 3 bedroom house in need of modernisation located adjoining the site which is available by separate negotiation.

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UNRIVALLED COVERAGE AROUND ELY

**Little Downham****£430,000**

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**Stretham****£650,000**

An established detached home (circa 1930 - extended in 2012), offering versatile accommodation with a wealth of character. Entrance hallway, lounge, separate dining room, snug/family room, kitchen/breakfast room, 4 bedrooms (master with ensuite), family bathroom, double garage, parking and gardens extending to approximately 1 acre (STS). EPR F.

**Soham****£265,000**

A superbly presented and imposing detached residence which offers a blend of both character and contemporary features and comprises entrance hall, lounge, separate dining room, modern kitchen, study/bedroom 4, ground floor bathroom, spacious first floor landing, 3 bedrooms (1 ensuite) and enclosed private rear garden. Centrally located. EPR D.

**Wicken****£495,000**

Superbly presented detached modern home in a secluded highly desirable location. Hall, shower room, dining room, 25' lounge, kitchen, utility, 4 double bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, off road parking & attractive rear garden. Viewing essential to fully appreciate the high specification throughout and countryside views. EPR C.

**Prickwillow****£269,950**

A modern detached house in a non estate location in the popular hamlet of Prickwillow. Entrance hallway, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen / dining room, conservatory, 3 bedrooms (master with ensuite), family bathroom, single integral garage, driveway and gardens. The property also benefits from double glazing and central heating. EPR D.

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Ely **£900 pcm**
Modern three bed(1 en-suite) detached house. Property has an enclosed rear garden and garage. EPC: D



Haddenham **£950 pcm**
Beautifully presented three bedroom(1 en-suite) cottage with a courtyard garden and parking. EPC:C



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Soham £235,000



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Soham £169,950



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£350,000



WITCHAM

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4 bedrooms, reception hall, lounge, dining room, conservatory, study, family bathroom, separate cloakroom, kitchen, utility room, gas fueled heating, double glazing, double garage, ample off road parking and gardens. EPC rating: D

£350,000



MEPAL

A well presented four bedroom detached family home, situated in a non estate location in the village of Mepal.

4 bedrooms, master with en suite, family bathroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room and cloakroom. EPC rating: C

£335,000



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ELY **£299,950**
A well presented three bedroom home in an excellent city centre location rarely available.
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LITTLEPORT **£269,950**
A well presented four bedroom detached town house offering well proportioned accommodation over three floors located on a corner plot.
4 bedrooms, master with en-suite, family bathroom, cloakrooms to ground and second floor, entrance hall, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, utility, garage, off street parking and gardens. EPC rating: B



SUTTON **£260,000**
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ELY **£239,950**
NEW
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MEPPAL **£269,950**
NEW
A three bedroom detached bungalow forming part of this popular development with the addition of a Upvc conservatory to the rear and two garages.
3 bedrooms, master with en-suite shower room, family bathroom, sitting room, kitchen/dining room, Upvc conservatory, two single garages, off street parking for several vehicles, summer house, gardens and no chain. EPC rating: D



WITCHAM **£264,950**
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NEW tiling can really give your decor a lift. If you are looking for that 'certain something' to revive your home's interior spaces, then it's a great idea to take a trip out to Sedgeway Business Park, and head for Ely Tile Centre for inspiration and more.

To refresh a tired-looking wall, replace a worn-down floor with something both durable and eye-catching, or just give any room in your house a stylish new look, tiling is the clever choice, with its combination of great visual appeal, fashionability, durability and practicality.

Conveniently located in Witchford's Sedgeway Business Park, Ely Tile Centre is run by David Craig, who has more than 20 years of experience in the trade.

Popular tiling at the moment includes a fabulous range of Studio 54 mosaics, some glossy stone-effect wall tiles in neutral colours like beige and cream, and a new wood-effect parquet flooring range. Along with some very 'now' rustic stone-style floor tiles are the equally fashionable mosaics in a range of vibrant colours from dark reds to lilacs, greens, beiges and blues –

ADVERTISING FEATURE



they are even available in brushed aluminium.

Ely Tile Centre is also now able to offer a range of bathroom suites including bathroom furniture and towel radiators at very competitive prices. On site there are some tiled room settings showing a selection of sanitaryware ranges.

All this, with David's expertise and a new range of must-have tile and stone cleaning products, makes Ely Tile Centre the must-visit destination for everyone looking to renovate their home this spring.

Ely Tile Centre is open from Monday to Friday, 9am to 4.30pm, and on Saturdays from 9am to 4pm. Find the showroom at Unit 3, Sedgeway Business Park, Common Road, Witchford, or phone them on (01353) 667555.

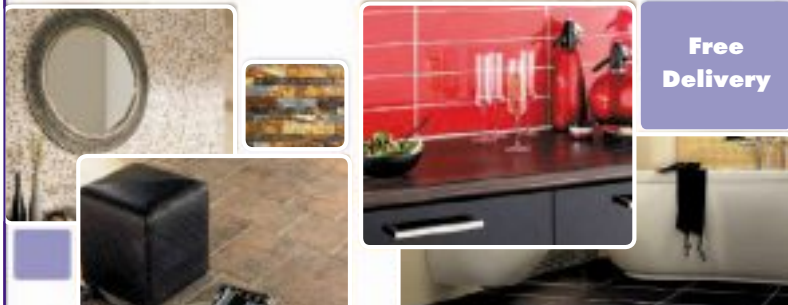


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Love is in the air

RENOWNED pianist Warren Mailley-Smith is performing at a Sparkling Valentine's Concert at Ely Cathedral on Saturday.

Warren was born in Earith and had his first piano lessons at the cathedral when he was just four years old.

A self-confessed romantic, he will be performing a selection of classics guaranteed to tug at the heartstrings, including works by Chopin, Puccini and Bellini.

The candlelit concert will also feature stunning guest international soprano, Susan Parkes, with a selection of romantic songs.

The concert starts at 7.30pm and tickets are £25, which includes a complimentary glass of bubbly and programme.

■ For tickets or more information, call (01353) 660349 or visit tickets.elycathedral.org.

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ROUND UP

● THE City of Ely Amateur Dramatic Society is presenting *The Ladykillers* – the classic black comedy tale of a sweet little old lady pitted against a gang of criminal misfits who will stop at nothing. The show is being performed at Ely College from Thursday, February 18 to Saturday, February 20. Performances are at 7.30pm each evening and tickets are £9. Call (01353) 669759 or pop into Burrows Bookshop in Ely's High Street Passage. Alternatively, visit elyamateurdramatics.org.

● BOB Watts is hosting a ballroom and sequence dance at Prickwillow's Hiam Sports and Social Club on Saturday, February 13. Doors open at 7pm and admission is £5 for members and £6.50 for non-members. Call (01353) 688269 or visit hiam.org.uk.

● A BELLY dance workshop is being held in Ely on Sunday, February 14. The event, called 'Baladi – The Roots of Egyptian Dance', is being hosted by the Elysian Belly Dance group at Ely College. There will be live music from Baladi specialist and darabuka player, Guy Schalom, and accordionist, Magdy Tewfik. The cost of the workshop is £25 each and places need to be booked in advance by emailing elizabethbellydancer@gmail.com.

● A JACOBAN study day is being held at Ely's Toppings and Company Bookshop on Sunday, February 21. Robert Jones is hosting the event and will be looking in detail at the work of playwrights Ben Jonson and Thomas Middleton. The workshop is running from 2-5pm and the cost is £20. Call (01353) 645005 or visit topping-books.co.uk.

EXHIBITION

Letters draw in crowds to Ely

THOUSANDS of people have visited Ely Cathedral to explore its prestigious 'Lettering Exhibition: In the beginning was Word'.

The exhibition, which opened last Thursday, is running until February 28.

One of the highlights is *The Four Gospels*, which have been lent by Her Majesty The Queen from the Royal Collection.

Printed on handmade paper with wood-engraved illustrations, the striking volume is one of the most famous works by British printmaker Eric Gill.

Other noticeable exhibits are a 12th Century hand-written manuscript, the *Liber Eliensis*, which covers in detail the founding of the abbey at Ely in 673 until the mid 12th Century, and incorporates numerous documents and stories of saints' lives.

It was reportedly written by the monks when Ely was still an abbey.

Another historical exhibit is a Royal Charter of Henry VIII in the form of a grant to re-found the cathedral and is dated 1541.

Both items are on rare display and are from the cathedral's own collection.

More contemporary exhibits include rarely seen and privately-owned documents and print samples by the William Morris, the Kindersley

Workshop and the most famous of the private presses, the Kelmscott Press.

Many of today's leading craftsmen in the art of calligraphy, letter carving and fine printing also have their work on display, making it one of the most unique exhibitions of its kind.

Renowned photographer Julia Hedgecoe, who lives in Ely, is also showcasing her most recent work in the exhibition.

Throughout her distinguished career, her photographs have graced the pages of the *Observer* and the *Daily Telegraph*, as well as other global magazines and newspapers.

Julia was given unprecedented access into relatively inaccessible areas of the cathedral to photograph the more unusual lettering, carvings and graffiti that can be found around the building.

There is also plenty to see and do for families too, including a working press and children's workshops.

Duncan Robinson, former director of the Fitzwilliam Museum and chairman of the Henry Moore Foundation, has been instrumental in working with the cathedral to bring the distinctive collection together under one roof.

He said: "This exhibition provides a unique opportunity to see some of the finest examples of the art of lettering



IN THE BEGINNING...: Visitors to the exhibition, top. Above: Dean of Ely Cathedral Mark Bonney using an old printing press. Pictures: Keith Heppell

'This exhibition provides a unique opportunity to see some of the finest examples of the art of lettering as it is practised today.'

as it is practised today and to do so in the context of a cathedral church which is rich in script and inscriptions spanning nine centuries of worship and commemoration."

For more information, including details of the accompanying lectures and specialist workshops, pop into the cathedral or visit elycathedral.org/events/lettering-exhibition.

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YOUNG TALENT: Suzi Jodie, right, and Last Place Heroes, above, will be performing on the night. The events are organised by the ADeC Arts Crew, pictured left.



CLOSER TO HOME

● **LOCAL** band, Splash, are performing at Littleport Ex-servicemen's Club on Saturday, February 13. The evening will also feature a barbecue and tickets are £10. Call (01353) 860378.

● 1946 American film, *The Killers*, is being screened in Ely. The Ely Film Society screening is at the Old Palace on Monday, February 15 at 7.30pm. Non-members are welcome. Call (01353) 668639 or visit elyfilmsociety.com.

● **WRESTLERS** from the US will be taking to the ring in Soham. A wrestling half-term extravaganza is being held at The Brook on Monday, February 15. The show, which is suitable for the whole family, starts at 7.30pm, although doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £12 for adults, £10 for children and £40 for a family of four. Call (01353) 721748 or visit brookentertainment.co.uk.

● **SINGER/songwriter** come stand-up comedian Keith Donnelly is performing in Ely. He is hosting Ely Folk Club's next concert at the Old Dispensary on Wednesday, February 17. Keith will be supported on the night by local acoustic duo, Kelly and Woolley. The concert starts at 8pm with the doors opening at 7.30pm. Tickets are £11 on the door or £10 in advance by calling (01353) 740999 or (01353) 664706.

● **THE** Norwich Puppet Theatre are bringing *Thumbelina* to Ely. The magical show is being held at the Babylon Gallery on Wednesday, February 17 at 11am. A spokeswoman for the gallery said: "Using traditional glove, rod and shadow puppets performed by Joy Haynes, this is an excellent introduction to the magic of theatre." Tickets are £7 for adults, £6 for concessions and £5 for Babylon ARTS members. For tickets, call (01353) 616991 or pop into either Burrows Bookshop or the Babylon Gallery.

● **COUNTRY** and Irish musician Kenny Paul is coming to Soham. He will be performing at The Brook on Friday, February 19 at 9pm. Tickets are £15. Call (01353) 721748 or visit brookentertainment.co.uk.

● **COMEDIANS** Lewis Bryan, Jay Sodagar, Keith Platt and John Mann are taking to the stage in Ely. The stand-up comedy night is being held at The Maltings on Friday, February 26. Doors open at 8pm and tickets are £12.95. Call (01353) 662633, pop into Burrows Bookshop in Ely or visit themaltinsely.co.uk.

Ely's Innovation Night

SUZI Jodie, Josh Aitken and Asbestos are among local musicians who will be performing at Ely's next Innovation Music Night.

The event is taking place at the city's intimate Babylon Gallery, in Waterside, on Friday, February 19.

There will be music from a number of local acts including Suzi Jodie, Asbestos, Elle Easton, Josh Aitken and Last Place Heroes.

Nathan Jones, from Arts Development in East Cambridgeshire (ADeC), which organises the Innovation Nights, said: "It is fantastic to be able to offer young people a regular series of professional events where they can showcase and develop their skills."

"It is also wonderful to see young musicians get better and better with each show."

"On the 19th we will welcome back Josh Aitken and Suzi Jodie who made a big impression at The Malting last month."

"The occasion will mark the first performance at an Innovation Night for punk band Asbestos, so we are looking forward to seeing them in action."

"It will also be the first appearance by up and coming singer/songwriter Elle Easton."

"As well as supporting local musicians, the Innovation Nights are also about testing out local venues."

"The sell out December show at the

'It is fantastic to be able to offer young people a regular series of professional events where they can showcase their skills.'

Babylon Gallery proved what a fantastic setting it was for live music so we are delighted to return there again."

The fun kicks off at 7pm and tickets are £3 each.

Tickets are available on the door or by calling (01353) 616991. Alternatively, visit wegottickets.com/adec.

The Innovation Nights are organised by the ADeC Arts Crew to support live music in the region as part of a project funded by Youth Music.

Any local musicians or bands wishing to perform at future Innovation Nights should email Nathan.jones@adec.org.uk.

All ages and musical styles are welcome.

THEATRE



Don't miss Viva's production of Educating Rita in Soham

CLASSIC comedy, *Educating Rita*, is being staged in Soham this week.

The Viva Theatre Company production is at The Brook from Thursday, February 11 to Saturday, February 13.

A Viva spokeswoman said: "Kerry Hibbert, playing Rita, and Rowan Maulder, playing Frank, have been busy along with the crew getting ready for the show."

"They have transformed The Brook into Frank's office and are now all ready to show the local community what they have been busy rehearsing."

Educating Rita is a classic comedy by Willy Russell and was made famous

by Michael Caine and Julie Walters in the 1983 hit film.

Kerry said: "I auditioned for this role because Rita is such a fascinating, fun character to play and a challenge."

"I've enjoyed learning a new accent for the role!"

The show is at 7.30pm each night and tickets are £10 each.

Call (01353) 722228 or go to viva-group.org.uk.

Viva Theatre Company's production of *Educating Rita* at The Brook, Soham. Performances from Thursday, February 11 to Saturday, February 13 at 7.30pm. Call (01353) 722228.



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With over half a million sold in Europe and nearly 100,000 in the UK, Mokka has been huge success since its launch in 2012. The Mokka's compact size (4.28m long), sporty looks and elevated seating position having wowed customers looking for an affordable SUV.

After introducing the

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Citroen SpaceTourer in Geneva premiere

THE versatile New Citroën SpaceTourer will make its world premiere at the Geneva Motor Show in March, where its ability to tackle the rigours of family and business life head-on, will be on display.

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Available in three variants, including a 4.60m long model, a first in the market, which can seat up to nine people, the SpaceTourer is designed



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The car brand most likely to not be let out a junction has been identified as BMW. The study revealed that drivers were less likely to let out a BMW's over any other vehicle. Almost one in four drivers admitted that they would not let out a BMW at a junction.

Surprisingly females were less likely to let out a BMW than males, with over 30 per cent of females making the admission.

And almost one in five motorists would not let out a Land Rover, one in six would not let out a Subaru, one in eight would not let out a Mercedes and one in 12 would not let out an Audi.

End of the line for Landy's Defender

THE final Land Rover Defenders rolled off the production line this week.

More than two million of the 4x4s have been produced over the past 68 years as it became one of the most-loved and long-lived road vehicles.

Defenders are a favourite with the Queen and have featured in a number of films such as James Bond movie *Skyfall* and *Edge Of Tomorrow* featuring Tom Cruise.

The vehicle, which is exported all around the world, represents the continuation of the very first Land Rover which arrived on the scene in April 1948 and was modelled on the wartime Jeeps.

Jim Holder, editorial director of magazines *Autocar* and *What Car?*, said Defenders "appeal to every level of society".

He told the Press Association: "It's a classless vehicle. Anyone can drive it. You might be a farmer trying to get over the muddiest field or it might be the Queen driving around Windsor. Neither would surprise you if you saw it."

"It's got that ubiquity where it can



'CLASSLESS VEHICLE': The Land Rover Defender had fans across the world

be at home in Chelsea but doesn't look out of place painted white in the middle of a war zone."

Mr Holder believes JLR "made the decision to cease production of Defenders because "regulations have finally caught up with it".

He said: "They haven't been able to update crash safety or the engine emissions quick enough."

"The world has overtaken it to a point where they can no longer

keep on the right side of emissions and safety laws."

JLR is working on a replacement vehicle for the Defender, but Mr Holder claimed it will be a "massive challenge" to match the status of the original.

JLR used the occasion to announce the launch of a heritage restoration programme for what is one of the most-loved and long-lived road vehicles.

Andy McNab's final cheerio

LEGEND:
Army
Defender



FORMER SAS sergeant Andy McNab has hailed the role of Land Rover Defenders in the British military after the last one rolled off the production line.

He said Land Rovers have been "synonymous" with the Armed Forces because they act as a "huge weapons platform".

McNab, now a successful author, recently bought his own Defender after learning that no more new ones would be made.

"I got one at the end of last year because of this," he told the Press Association. "I love them. I learned to drive in one. They've always been there because it's been the main vehicle for the military since about the Fifties."

Current and former workers at the Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) plant in Solihull, West Midlands, cheered as the final Defender was presented, with its lights flashing and horn blaring.

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BOWLS

Chapman clinches county youth crown

BEN Chapman came out on top in the Cambridgeshire final of the English Bowls Youth Development Scheme regional qualifier at St Neots.

Thirty young bowlers from across the county, aged between 10 and 18, took part in the round-robin singles tournament during the morning and went on to show off their abilities in a range of skills exercises in the afternoon.

Points earned during the day culminated in the winner and runner-up from each of the two age groups – junior (10 to 14) and senior (14 to 18) – qualifying for the regional finals, which will take place at Chesterton on April 10.

City of Ely's Chapman topped the senior category with 84 points while home player Rebecca Moorbey was just behind with 81.

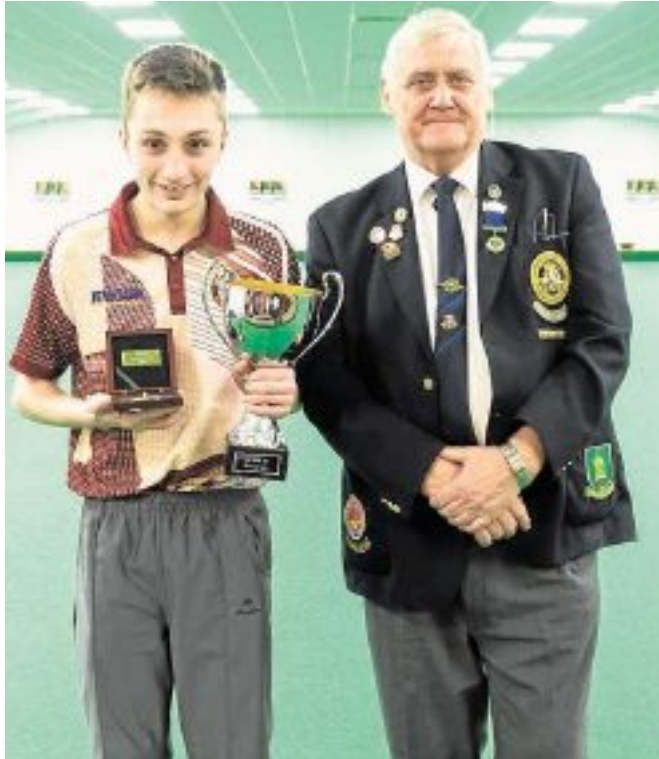
In the junior section, Mack May claimed victory on his home rink with 80 points, with fellow St Neots bowler Robyn Hall second with 74.

Cambs Indoor Bowls Association secretary Tony Barclay, who organised the event, said: "The quality of bowling was exceptional as usual and demonstrated the high standards being set by bowls coaching throughout the county."

The competition was also supported by CIBA president David Ford and match secretary Richard Peyton.

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HAPPY: Ben Chapman (left) with CIBA president David Ford

Picture: Dennis Harris

TABLE TENNIS

Mohan's maximum sees off Ellesmere

CHRISTIAN Mohan recorded a maximum to guide Ely I to victory over Ellesmere I in Ely & District League, Division One.

It was Ellesmere who made a flying start to proceedings, with Rhys Davies registering a straight-sets success over Kieran Mohan.

Davies also got the better of Liam Mohan, but that was the only other point they could get on the board.

Joanne Pettitt and Rob Boyce did go close in some of their matches, but Ely came out on top as Christian Mohan's maximum was followed by victory in the doubles.

Soham I visited Impington I and showed their hosts no mercy.

They produced an impressive performance as they chalked up a whitewash.

Colin Adams took Clive Woollard to 18-20 in the fourth leg but, apart from that, the Imps were completely overwhelmed.

In Division Two, Elsworth II hosted Ellesmere II and showed them little hospitality.

They were able to whitewash their opponents in double-quick time, with

only three games going beyond three legs.

However, in the next match the tables were turned as Elsworth II succumbed 9-1 to Ely II.

Only Colin Fotland and Richard Smart could register a point for their team, winning the doubles against Ashley Rowe and Neil Abram.

Ely III shot into a 5-0 lead against Countess and went on to complete the win.

But Countess were able to make the scoreline more respectable as Steve Jugg beat both Neil Weir and Simon Bickers, before joining Robin Gammon to take the doubles against Fred Laband and Simon Bickers.

Danny Bates bagged a maximum and then joined Russell Cooper to win the doubles when Fulbourn III beat Ely III 7-3.

His efforts were supported by two wins from Jon Chapman and one from Cooper.

For Ely, Bickers beat Chapman, and both Weir and Fred Laband were successful against Cooper.

It was Chapman's turn to score a maximum when Fulbourn III won at

Comrades II, with their other points coming from Hamish Ryder and Danny Bates over Logan.

Comrades' four points were accumulated by Alan Chambers, Martyn Hagon and Martin Logan.

In Division Three, Simon Johnson's maximum, two wins for Thomas Pizey and one for Jack England gave Ellesmere III their six points when they beat Haddenham I at home.

Mark Coles and Adam Curry had singles success for the losers, as well as taking the doubles.

Joshua Curry managed three wins plus the doubles with Joseph Holland when Haddenham II beat Ely IV 6-4.

Curry's efforts were added to by two wins from Holland, with Ely's four points coming from Andrew Blake, David Haslam and Karen Byford.

Comrades III entertained Fulbourn V and only allowed their visitors one game, Melissa Rule losing in four close sets to Rob Powell.

Other than that, she and team-mates Lito Jumilla and Chris Rule had things all their own way against Powell, Manu Hathirmani and Matthew Gunton.

RUGBY UNION

Ely go through in Vase

HARRY Rogerson's two tries helped Ely triumph in a see-saw battle with Maldon and book their place in the next round of the London & SE Junior Vase.

A number of early handling errors from the hosts meant it was something of a shaky start, but they edged in front when Joel Scott Paul kicked a penalty after Maldon were caught offside.

However, Ely were penalised at the breakdown and when Maldon kicked to touch, it allowed them to set up a drive from a line-out which led to an unconverted try.

The Tigers hit back before the whistle sounded for half time, working their way towards the Maldon 22 and then sending the ball out wide to Rogerson (pictured) who dodged two would-be tacklers

and sprinted over for an unconverted try.

Maldon wrested control of the match soon after the break with the wind at their backs and kicked two penalties to move into an 11-8 lead.

Yet Ely managed to gain control of the ball and started to get a number of penalties given in their favour.

That allowed them to get excellent field position and a succession of pick-and-drives in the Maldon 22 were eventually rewarded when Mitchell Kennett forced his way through for a converted score.

Ely forced their way back up field from the restart and a five-metre scrum led to winger Rogerson going over for his second try, which was converted.

MARTIAL ARTS

Perfect result for students

STUDENTS from the Mark Farnham Schools of Tae Kwon-Do in Ely achieved a 100 per cent pass rate at their latest grading.

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Results – Red belt – Oliver Murray,

Hanna Sikora; Red stripe – Joseph Davies, Aoife Dunham, Christian Dunham, Harrison Evans, Rajni Matharu, Tom Seymour, Rishi Thiahulan, Dolliie Woods; Blue belt – Arwa Abdel Kader, Caitlin Allgood, Rio Tan; Blue stripe – Thomas Driver, Oliver Mollett, Anna Munday, Emily Myntott, Matt Seymour; Green belt – Dylan Borrego, Oliver Howlett, Tashi Marley, Ollie Partridge, Toby Rolfe, Lucie Teli; Green stripe – Zuzia Allen, Amy Borden, Katie Borden, Jeremy Lock; Yellow belt – Joseph Harfield, Lola Harfield, James Keay, Emily McCord, Alfie Turner; Yellow stripe – Eshan Abidi, Lucy Broadbent, Max Broadbent, Edith Johnston, Kieran Khattri, Nicola Thomas, Sarah Thomas, Noah Woods.

BOXING

Smith suffers Eastern exit

RILEY Smith saw his hopes quickly dashed in the Eastern Counties Youth Championships at Colchester.

The Haddenham & Ely puncher had gone into his under-69kg final with Jake Sumner as favourite, having beaten the Sudbury boxer earlier this season at the NABC Championships.

But Smith struggled to impose himself against Sumner this time and lost on a unanimous decision, much to

the disappointment of coach Mike Sawyer, who had hoped he would go through to the national quarter-finals.

Sawyer said: "Riley just came out and wanted to fight him rather than just box him. "Good luck to the other kid because he worked hard."

However, Smith will have a chance to redeem himself as the pair are set for another rematch on Haddenham's next show at Ely College on March 5.

NETBALL

City soar to win over Jets

CITY of Ely II made good use of their whole squad in a 35-16 win over Jets II.

A lacklustre first quarter saw the score tied 5-5, but Sue Deas (player of the match) was switched to goal-attack and Gemma Wilson to goal-shooter as City piled on the goals, while the defence restricted Jets to single figures

each quarter.

City under-16s had a close match with Royston, but earned a 28-25 victory.

Alice Murphy, playing her first match up in this age band, complemented the City attack while Tara Gilbey (player of the match) and Daisy Marshall challenged Royston in defence.

GIRLS' FOOTBALL

Isleham overcome Burwell

ISLEHAM under-13 girls beat Burwell 4-2.

Amy McLean opened the scoring, with Talia Irvine doubling the lead. Burwell

pulled a goal back before half time but another goal from McLean made it 3-1.

Mia Yeom extended the lead before Burwell scored again.

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Football

Saberton and Seymour on target for Ely

FIRST-half goals from Spencer Saberton and James Seymour proved enough to give Ely a 2-1 victory at home to Team Bury in the Thurlow Nunn League, First Division on Tuesday night.

Saberton opened the scoring for the hosts with a header from Dan Alsop's free kick after 20 minutes.

And Seymour doubled the lead shortly before half time when he found himself one-on-one with the goalkeeper.

Team Bury managed to pull one back with around 30 seconds left to play, but they could not deny the Robins from moving back up to second in the league.

"It was a heavy, sticky pitch, but fair play to Bury because they kept trying to play football and our keeper has made a couple of good saves," said Ely boss Brady Stone.

"We haven't got a game this Saturday, but we'll go again next week and try to put some wins together."



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It comes after Ely were beaten 1-0 at home to fellow promotion contenders Great Yarmouth Town last Saturday.

The only goal of the game came from a corner on 76 minutes, although the hosts felt it should not have counted due to the goalkeeper being fouled in the build-up.

"I spoke to the referee afterwards and he admitted he should have given us a free kick, but that's not much good to us now," said Stone.

"Saturday was almost a non-game for us. We never really got going and ended up losing to a freak goal."

Nightingale unhappy after draw

ROBBIE Nightingale felt Soham were not at their best as they drew 1-1 at Barkingside in the Ryman League, North Division.

The Greens' preparation was far from ideal, having been delayed in traffic on the way to the game, and conditions proved difficult throughout.

After a goalless first half, it was Soham who took the lead through Salim Relizani on the hour.

But an equaliser from Michael Spencer on 74 minutes proved enough to ensure it ended all square.

"We can make excuses, but the performance levels weren't anywhere near where they had been in recent weeks," said Soham joint-manager Nightingale.

"They players were all disappointed, but they know they didn't play to their best and we don't want players who are going to be happy with just a draw.

"We've got one or two things to work on. We'll train hard and look to go again next Saturday."



City bowler Harlow is just Champion after title glory

GREG Harlow proved too strong for the opposition as he was crowned English Champion of Champions at Hayling Island.

City of Ely's former world champion was aiming to put the disappointment of a quarter-final exit from the Just Retirement World Championships at the hands of Nicky Brett behind him.

And he did just that, starting as he meant to go on with a crushing 21-4 win over Chigwell's Tom Mould in the opening round.

The former world No 1 followed it up by beating Eden player John Baird 21-14 in the quarter-finals.

Harlow then enjoyed a comfortable 21-10 victory against Keith Renwick of Worthing Pavilion in the last four before clinching the trophy after a 21-17 win over Bodmin bowler Paul Bennett in the final.

Bowls

But Ely clubmate Ellen Falkner was unable to follow up claiming her third world title in the women's singles.

She thrashed Atherley's Anne Pearce 21-3 in the first round, but lost 21-16 to Ipswich's Katherine Rednall 21-16 in the last eight.

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